SUBJECT No. 233.

Special scholarships to Mahomedan students.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—(1) Nine scholarships are allotted to Mahomedans who prosecute their studies in the M. A. O. College at Aligarh. But the amount of the scholarship is not sufficient for their maintenance. Hence the poor but active Mahomedans are hindered from proceeding thereto. Therefore, two scholarships may be given to those who go to prosecute their studies at Madras.

(2) Out of the scholarships allotted for the education of students in foreign countries two scholarships must be set apart for Mahomedans, so as to induce and persuade them to proceed to foreign countries to prosecute their studies.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 234.

Government aid to poor Mahomedan students.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—The poor orphan Mahomedan students are under the protection of the local Anjumans. Their financial condition being unsatisfactory, grants-in-aid from Government are necessary in the interests of such students.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 235.

Training schools for Hindustani school mistresses.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—The Hindustani Girls' schools in the State are in a very backward condition for want of competent teachers. It is prayed that encouragement may be given to willing and promissing but poor students by establishing a training school for Hindustani school mistresses at Mysore or at Bangalore. Scholarships may be given to widows and girls who may join the above institution, or any other Government Girls' school in the State.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 236.

Higher education to Mahomedan girls.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—Higher education may be imparted in the Mahomedan Girls' schools through female teachers.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 237.

Widows as school mistresses, nurses, etc.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Madappa and N. Srikantaiya, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Many widows are being given education in the State. As soon as they complete their primary or lower secondary education, they should be sent to a training school. We have Kannada primary and middle training schools. In these schools widows should be trained as school-mistresses, and as they become available, male teachers in girls' schools should be replaced by them. Unless a widow has passed her Upper Secondary and Training Examinations or the Pandita Examination, she cannot be expected to do complete justice to her work. The Upper Secondary class in the Maharani's College, which was abolished some time ago, should be re-established and an Upper Secondary training class should also be established. Where widows are willing to become

nurses, midwives and medical women, every facility should be given to them to be trained as such.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 238.

Selection of candidates for the public service and for awarding scholarships.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—As regards appointments to the public service and selection of candidates for awarding scholarships, only the best talent in India should be entertained. If the selection is limited to the State, there should be a general distribution among all classes, preference being given to backward communities.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 239.

Lectures on health, industry, commerce and manufactures.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Madappa and N. Srikantaiya, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Lectures on health, industry, commerce and manufactures should be encouraged and such lectures should be translated into the vernacular and circulated broadcast.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 240.

Schools in plague-infected villages.

Mr. Subbaiya Setty, Malvalli Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—When plague breaks out in a village, people generally evacuate it and the school-going boys do not regularly attend the schools. In such cases the schoolmasters are temporarily posted for duty in some other school. Orders may be issued that masters should hold the school in sheds run up by the villagers in an uninfected locality.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

PUBLIC WORKS.

(*No. 241.*)

SUBJECT No. 241.

Increase of Budget Grant under Irrigation.

Mr. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—For some years past little or no original irrigation work has been done owing to reduction of the Public Works Budget Grant and owing to Government attention and the available funds being centered in great works such as the Cauvery Power Scheme, the Vedavati Project, etc., which do not directly benefit the ryots in proportion to the enormous sums spent over them. The budget allotment under Irrigation may not hereafter be less than 14 lakhs, or, may at least be increased to an appreciable degree.

Reply of Government.—It is the intention of Government to grant as much as possible for irrigation.

RAILWAYS.

(*Nos. 242 to 251.*)

SUBJECT No. 242.

Budget allotments for fresh railway lines.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, Madappa and N. Srikantaiya, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Allotments may be made every year for the construction of new railway lines.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 243.

A railway line from Nanjangud to Erode.

Mr. Venkatasamaiya, Chamrajnagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A railway line may be opened from Nanjangud to Erode *viâ* Chamrajnagar at an early date.

Reply of Government.—The line is under survey.